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WATTS PASSAGE BRIDGE OVER PREDDY CREEK CLOSED

VDOT inspection crew found damage to an abutment; traffic detour is in place

CULPEPER — The bridge over Preddy Creek on Route 600 (Watts Passage) in Albemarle County is closed to traffic. During a routine inspection, Virginia Department of Transportation bridge inspectors found damage to a bridge support that posed safety concerns for the traveling public.

VDOT is currently setting up a detour using Route 20 (Stony Point Road) and Route 641 (Burnley Station Road). A plan to repair the bridge is also being developed, but at this time there is no timeframe for repair and reopening the structure.

Road conditions and other real-time travel information can be found on the 511 Virginia website, the free VDOT 511 mobile app or by calling 511 from any phone in Virginia. VDOT updates are also on Facebook and the Culpeper District's Twitter account, @VaDOTCulp.

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Editors and reporters: The attached photo shows damage to the structure, called an abutment, that supports the bridge deck. *Please credit Virginia Department of Transportation*.